

# OVER THERE



3rd Republic of Korea Army Base,



## South Korea

*Practice Makes Perfect*

**M**arines with III Marine Expeditionary Force inspect a simulated casualty of a nuclear, chemical, and radiological attack during a casualty decontamination drill March 22. This was part of the Reception, Staging, Onward movement, and Integration/Foal Eagle exercises. RSO&I is an annual multiphase exercise tailored to train, test, and demonstrate United States and Republic of Korea Force projection and deployment capabilities. Foal Eagle runs simultaneously with RSO&I and trains participants in all aspects of a combined forces command's mission.

*Photo by Petty Officer 2nd Class Sandra M. Palumbo*



Vina Del Mar,



## Chile

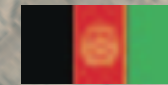
*Tactical Training*

**C**apt. William Mihok, platoon commander for 5th Platoon, 2nd Fleet Anti-terrorism Security Team Company, explains close quarter battle tactics to Cabo Segundo Monroy, a Chilean Marine. The FAST Marines deployed to Chile to train with their Chilean Marine Corps counterparts, who are preparing for a deployment to Haiti. Marines from 5th Plt. spent two weeks sharing their specialized skills with Co. 212 of the Chilean Marine Corps. While the U.S. and Chile conduct bilateral training annually, this is the first time a FAST platoon has participated, according to Maj. Christian Veeris, the U.S. Marine Corps exchange officer to Chile.

*Photo courtesy of 5th Platoon*



Khowst Province,



## Afghanistan

*Four Wheel'n*

**A** humvee, operated by Marines of K Company, 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marines, travels slowly through rugged terrain during a security operation March 28. The Marines are conducting security and stabilization operations in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. In the last few months, they have discovered multiple weapons caches, provided medical care to more than 700 Afghans and distributed humanitarian assistance supplies to dozens of villages in three provinces.

*Photo by Cpl. James L. Yarbora*







Al Asad,  
**Iraq**  
Chow Time

**S**gt. Oneal A. Paguada oversees the budget, supplies and quality control of the dining facilities here. He is serving as a food service operations officer with 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing (Forward). His work ensures more than 35,000 hot meals are served each day to Marines, sailors, soldiers and civilian contractors. Paguada, a Bronx, N.Y., native, volunteered for a 14-month tour here and says he is happy to do his part to ensure the freedom of the Iraqi people.

Photo by Cpl. Rocco DeFilippis



Al Taqaddum,  
**Iraq**

Full Service Flight Line

**C**pl. L. DeVane, a bulk fuels specialist with Marine Wing Support Squadron 371, based out of Marine Corps Air Station Yuma, Ariz., mans the 350-gallons-per-minute fuel pump system, during a hot refueling on the flight line March 3. During a hot refueling, fuel is transferred into an aircraft while one or more engines are running. Hot refuels reduce aircraft ground time, personnel and support equipment requirements.

Photo by Cpl. Marsha N. Garcia



Camp Buehring,  
**Kuwait**  
All in a Day's Work

**M**arines attached to the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) head back to their decontamination area after completing an enhanced nuclear, biological and chemical defense exercise. The 15th MEU (SOC) is training in Kuwait to sharpen their skills as a part of the Marine Air Ground Task Force.

Photo by Lance Cpl. Thomas J. Grove

